
Remarks & Arguments

The application presently contains the following claims:

<i>Independent Claim #</i>	<i>Dependent Claim #s</i>
12	13-15
16	17-18

Claims 1-11 and 19-34 are canceled. No claims are amended.

Claims 12-18 have been indicated to be allowed.

Request for Reconsideration

As indicated by the examiner, independent claims 12 and 16 clearly define over the prior art and that the distinctions between the present invention and the prior art would not have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art. Additionally, the remaining dependent claims depend from and contain all of the limitations of independent claims believed to distinguish over the Prior Art and are patentable by virtue of their dependency. All pending claims are thought to be allowable and reconsideration by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully submitted that no new additional searching will be required by the examiner.


Fee Determination Record

A fee determination sheet is attached for this amendment response. If additional fees are believed to be due at this time, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee required to effect the filing of this document to Account No. 50-0983.

Conclusion

If the examiner believes that a telephonic conversation would facilitate a resolution of any and/or all of the outstanding issues pending in this application, then such a call is cordially invited at the convenience of the examiner.

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